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Public Availability Meeting to Discuss Community Advisory Group and Site Status

Chicago Heights Boulevard Site St. Louis County, Missouri

INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 7 will hold a public availability meeting to share information about the EPA process for forming a Community Advisory Group (CAG) at Superfund sites.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

EPA is conducting the meeting to provide an opportunity for residents near the Chicago Heights Boulevard Site to consider the option of forming a CAG. This group can serve as a liaison between EPA and the community when questions or concerns are expressed from residents and other interested parties about EPA activities at the site.

In addition to discussing the CAG concept, information will be provided about recent site investigations and next steps regarding the settlement agreement between EPA and PerkinElmer, Inc., the current owner of the site.

COMMUNITY ADVISORY GROUPS

EPA is committed to involving the public in the Superfund cleanup process. CAGs help

communities get recognition, guidance and other support that will put them in partnership with EPA. CAGs are designed to meet the needs of all community members, and to play an important role in bringing these voices to EPA's attention.

EPA PUBLIC AVAILABILITY MEETING
Thursday December 6, 2012
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
First Baptist Church of Elmwood Park
1452 Dielman Road
St. Louis County, Missouri 63132

An EPA presentation will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.

EPA Region 7 is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities. If you require a reasonable accommodation to participate in the meeting, please notify the EPA Reasonable Accommodations Coordinator, Jonathan Cooper, 800-223-0425 or at cooper.jonathan@epa.gov. Speech or hearing impaired individuals should e-mail or call using the local relay service.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

EPA held a public availability meeting on Thursday, October 25, 2012, to share information with the community about the settlement agreement EPA had reached with PerkinElmer, Inc. PerkinElmer, Inc. is the current owner of 9970 Page Boulevard, the property where EPA believes the source of contamination in the area is coming from. This settlement or Order on Consent (Order) requires additional investigations and response actions to address this contamination.

EPA described the work that had recently been conducted in the area in response to the contamination, and described the requirements of the Order and the work expected to be conducted in the future. EPA provided a 30-day public comment period from October 18, 2012 to November 19, 2012 to allow the public to comment on the Order. A response to comments is being compiled in an EPA Responsiveness Summary and is available for public review on the EPA Region 7 website and at the St. Louis County Library repositories.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Administrative Record File contains siterelated documents and is available for review at the following locations, during normal business hours:

EPA Region 7 Website:

www.epa.gov/region7/cleanup/chicago_heights

St. Louis County Library 1640 S. Lindbergh St. Louis, Missouri 63131 314-994-3300

Mid-County Library 7821 Maryland Avenue St. Louis, Missouri 63105 Indian Trails Library 8400 Delport Drive St. Louis, Missouri 63114

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